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SUBJECT: CIVAIR CHARTERS

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1. ECON/COMMOFF HAS WRITTEN TO FON OFF PERMSEC MCCANN, TRANSPORT & POWER PERMSEC O'ROIRDAIN, AND NEW CHAIRMAN IRISH TOURIST BOARD P. V. DOYLE, NOTING DECLINE IN TOURISM FROM US TO IRELAND AS COMPARED WITH TOURISM FROM US TO EUROPE AND UK AND POINTING OUT THAT GOI RESTRICTIVE CHARTER POLICY IS MAJOR FACTOR. LETTER CITES JUST PUBLISHED TOURIST BOARD STATISTICS WHICH SHOW NUMBER OF TOURISTS COMING FROM NORTH AMERICAN TO IRELAND DECREASED BY 7 PERCENT IN 1972 COMPARED WITH 1971, AND IS EXPECTED TO DECREASE BY A FURTHER 8-10 PERCENT IN 1973 COMPARED WITH 1972, WHILE TOURISM FROM UK AND CONTINENT TO IRELAND RISING AT RATES OF ABOUT 20 PERCENT. LETTER URGED THAT GOI LIBERALIZE CHARTER REGIME AS DESCRIBED REFTEL C AND ENCLOSED MODEL BILATERAL AGREEMENT FOR CHARTER AIR SERVICES (RECEIVED RECENTLY BY POUCH).

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2. AS AND WHEN OPPORTUNITIES ARISE, EMBASSY IS

PURSuing ISSUE AT SENIOR POLITICAL LEVEL AND WITH REGIONAL TOURISM INTERESTS, PARTICULARLY IN SHANNON AREA, WHICH HAS APPARENTLY SUFFERED MOST FROM DECLINE OF CHARTER SERVICES THIS YEAR. WOULD BE HILPFUL IF DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE SOMPEST MORE UP-TO-DATE FIGURES THAN CONTAINED REFTEL A ON MOVEMENT OF US CITIZENS BY AIR BETWEEN US AND EUROPE AND US AND IRELAND, BROKEN DOWN BETWEEN SCHEDULED FLIGHTS AND CHARTERS IF POSSIBLE. NEED PARTICULARLY EVIDENCE WHICH WOULD DEMONSTRATE THAT SUPPLEMENTALS WOULD BEING US VISITORS TO IRELAND WHICH ARE NOT ALREADY CARRIED BY IRISH AIRLINES ON ITS SCHEDULED AND CHARTER SERVICES.

3. SHANNON ALSO INTERESTED IN PROMOTING AIRPORT AS TECHNICAL STOP FOR SUPPLEMENTALS WHICH DO NOT HAVE CAPABILITY OF DIRECT FLIGHTS TO EUROPE. THIS MIGHT BE USEFUL BARGAINING COUNTER IN CHARTER LIBERALIZATION NEGOTIATIONS.
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